

1 **Amendments to the Claims:**

2 Claim 1 (canceled)

3 Claim 2 (currently amended): A method of providing an energy credit system for
4 providing redeemable electrical or non-electrical energy credits or mass transit credits through
5 an energy brokerage house to consumers who contribute power to a shared electric power
6 grid whereby a plurality of consumers are each separately connected to a shared electric
7 power grid, and wherein at least some of said consumers have their own, local renewable
8 energy source connected to said power supply grid, comprising the steps:

9 measuring the excess power generated by each consumer's energy source
10 which is fed into said electric power grid,

11 awarding energy credits, redeemable as either electrical energy, non-electrical
12 energy, cash value or mass transit tickets, to each of said consumers in relation to the excess
13 power contributed to the electric power grid by such consumer,

14 recording said awarded energy credits at an energy brokerage house,

15 allowing each consumer receiving said energy credits to redeem those energy
16 credits by acquiring fuel, power or mass transit tickets from a fuel or power provider or from
17 a mass transit system, and

18 requiring said energy brokerage house to compensate said fuel or energy
19 provider or mass transit system in direct relation to the energy credits redeemed by each said
20 consumer.

21 Claim 3 (original): The method of claim 2 comprising the further step:

22 requiring the operator of said power grid to compensate said energy brokerage
23 house for said excess power generated by said consumers.

24 Claim 4 (original): The method of claim 3 comprising the further step:

25 allowing said energy brokerage house to retain as profit a portion of said
26 compensation received from the operator of the power grid.